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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re U.S. Patent Application of:

Hendrik Lukas Terblanche

For:

VEHICLE RAPID DECELERATION RELATED
INJURY-COUNTERACTING EQUIPMENT

PCT Application No: PCT/ZA00/00137

PCT Filing Date: August 18, 2000

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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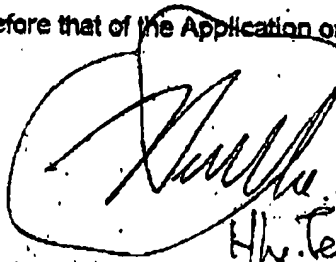
I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "VEHICLE RAPID DECELERATION RELATED INJURY-COUNTERACTING EQUIPMENT", filed as PCT/ZA00/00137 on August 18, 2000, the Specification of which is attached hereto and the Preliminary Amendment to which is filed herewith and attached hereto.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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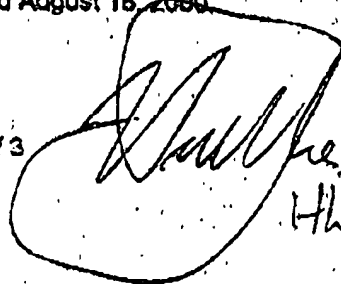
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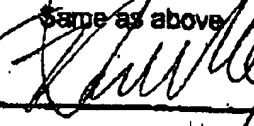
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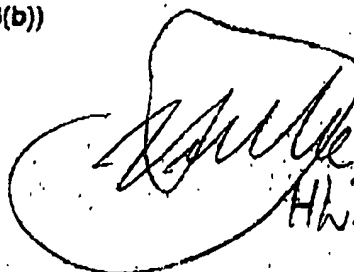
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